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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

I don't agree with the DOJ's proposed settlement with Microsoft. Among myriad reasons, the two most important reasons to push for a more stringent settlement and even punishment of Microsoft are:

* The PFJ Contains Misleading and Overly Narrow Definitions and Provisions

* The PFJ supposedly makes Microsoft publish its secret APIs, but it defines "API" so narrowly that many important APIs are not covered.

and

- * The PFJ Fails to Prohibit Intentional Incompatibilities Historically Used by Microsoft
- * Microsoft has in the past inserted intentional incompatibilities in its applications to keep them from running on competing operating systems.

I and others in the computer community have watched Microsoft crush innovative new companies, such as Netscape and WordPerfect, and see the government as faltering in its duty to protect consumers from the Microsoft monopoly. Microsoft was found guilty. Please take advantage of a situation that will never come around again and make Microsoft behave and play fair!

Cheers, Bryan M. Davis